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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

 (Currently amended) A method for detecting recurrence of cancer comprising: detecting the level of core-2 β1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides in a sample collected from a biological organism:

comparing the level to a normal control level; and

detecting an increased risk for recurrence of cancer if analyzing the sample, wherein a higher level of core-2 β1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides compared to normal is found indicates an increased risk for cancer recurrence.

- (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the core-2 β1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase is core-2 β1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase-I.
- (Original) The method according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the biological organism is a human body.
- 4. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the sample is a living tissue.
- 5. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 1 or 2, wherein detecting of core-2 β 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase is carried out by using a polypeptide capable of binding to core-2 β 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase.
- (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein the polypeptide is an antibody or a polypeptide having [[its]] an antigen-binding site.
- 7. **(Previously presented)** The method according to claim 1, wherein the cancer is selected from the group consisting of prostate cancer, testicular tumor and bladder cancer.
 - 8. (Cancelled)
 - 9. (Cancelled)
 - 10. (Cancelled)
- 11. (Withdrawn) A kit for detecting prognosis of cancer, which comprises at least the following element (A):
- (A) a first polypeptide capable of binding to core-2 β 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase.
- (Withdrawn) The kit according to claim 11, which further comprises at least the following element (B):

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(B) a second polypeptide capable of specifically binding to the first polypeptide described in (A), and being labelled or capable of being labelled with a labelling substance.

- (Withdrawn) The kit according to claim 11 or 12, wherein the polypeptide is an antibody or a polypeptide having its antigen-binding site.
- (Previously presented) The method according to claim 6, wherein the antibody is polyclonal.
- 15. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 6, wherein the antibody or polypeptide having its antigen-binding site is detected by a second antibody or a second polypeptide having its antigen-binding site that is labelled or capable of being labelled with a labelling substance.
- 16. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 6, wherein the higher level of core-2 β1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase compared to normal is indicated by detecting core-2 β1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase in at least ten percent of the sample.
- 17. (Previously presented) A method for predicting recurrence of cancer in a subject, comprising:

providing a biological sample from the subject;

contacting the biological sample with an antibody having specificity for core-2 \(\beta_1,6-N\)-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides and

determining whether the antibody binds to the core-2 β 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides at a higher level than normal controls, wherein a higher level of binding is indicative of an increased risk for cancer recurrence.

- 18. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 17, wherein the core-2 B1.6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase-I.
- (Previously presented) The method according to claim 17, wherein the antibody is a polyclonal antibody.
- (Previously presented) The method according to claim 17, wherein the antibody
 is a monoclonal antibody.
- 21. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 17, wherein the antibody is detected by a second antibody or a polypeptide having its antigen-binding site that is labelled or capable of being labelled with a labelling substance.

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22. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 17, wherein the higher level of binding is indicated by detecting core-2 β 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides in at least ten percent of the sample.

23. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 22, wherein detecting core-2 β1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides in at least ten percent of the sample is carried out by microscopic observation.